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Mr. Scott A. Bakken, PG Director, Permitting and Environmental Affairs Energy Fuels 225 Union Blvd., Suite 600 Lakewood, CO 80228

Dear Mr. Bakken:

Subject:

Site Review and Inspection of the Rim Mine complex located near Monticello, Utah on

April 05, 2016, UPDES Permit Number UT0023922.

I appreciated meeting with you, Race Fisher, Mike Neumann, Andrea Riether, and Todd Eldredge on April 05, 2016. The SWPPP was updated in November 2006 and was complete. The mine currently was not in operation. Storm water controls are located throughout the facility including several detention ponds and berms to control and direct storm water on the property. Drainage ditches have also been installed to control storm water from coming in contact with raw product or industrial activities. See attached photos and inspection report. There were no deficiencies observed and no response is required at this time.

If you have any questions concerning the report do not hesitate to contact me at (801) 536-4393. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mike George, Environmental Scientist

UPDES Storm Water Section

MG:nf

Enclosures(4):

1. RI 3560 (DWQ-2016-00963)

2. SW 3560 (DWQ-2016-009695)

2. Inspection report (DWQ-2016-009694)

3. Photos (DWQ-2016-00962)

cc:

Rick Meyer, Environmental Health Director, San Juan County Public Health Dept., w/encl.

Mike Bradley, Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, w/encl.

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Water Compliance Inspection Report

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Corps of Engineers Joint EPA/State Inspectors—EPA Lead

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INSPECTION PROTOCOL

UPDES Permit #: UT0023922 – Energy Fuels Resources, Rim Mine

Inspection Type: Reconnaissance Inspection

Inspection Date: April 04, 2016

On April 05, 2016 Mike George of the Division of Water Quality (DWQ) met with Race Fisher Andrea Reither, Mike Neumann, Scott Bakken and Todd Eldredge of the Rim Mine. The purpose and scope of the inspection were explained and a facility overview was conducted and reporting and recordkeeping requirements of the UPDES permit were reviewed. The permit is currently up for public comments.

FACILITY DESCRIPTION

Location: Rim Mine

San Juan County, Utah, Section 29 Township 31 South, Range 25 East

Outfall 001 Coordinates: N38° 03' 51" latitude and W109° 12' 16" longitude.

Average Flow: Intermitting discharge, not flowing at time of inspection.

<u>Receiving waters</u>: Unnamed Dry Wash → East Canyon Wash → Hatch Wash

<u>Process</u>: The Rim Mine is a Uranium Mine that is in the process of dewatering the mine. Mine water is pumped to a clay lined holding pond, and then through a shed where barium chloride is added to initiate precipitation to aid in the removal of radium. The water then flows to a second clay lined pond where the radium removal takes place. The discharge is to an unnamed dry wash. At the time of inspection no discharge was occurring.

INSPECTION SUMMARY

There were no deficiencies noted during the previous inspections for follow up.

DEFICIENCIES

No deficiencies with respect to the UPDES permit were noted during the inspection.

REQUIREMENTS

None.

RECOMMENDATIONS

None.

Energy Fuels- Rim Mine



1. Office



2. Warehouse



3. Main Shaft



4. Detention Basin



5. Detention Basin



6. Access Road



7. Truck Staging Area



8. Berm



9. Treatment Plant



10. Storm Water Pond



11. Treatment Plant Area



12. Shaft Facing North



13. Hoist



14. Storm Water Detention Pond (Rock Stockpile)



15. Waste Rock Pile



16. Waste Rock Pile and Storm Water Pond



17. Berm below Rock Stockpile